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Subject: Change in Label Numbering System

Veterinary Services

To: Biologics Licensees, Permittees, and Applicants
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I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties of a change in the product label numbering system at the Center for Veterinary Biologics (CVB).

II. BACKGROUND

The CVB is in the process of changing to a new computer database. This transition will result in a change in the label numbering system. Currently, labels are numbered consecutively, with a separate numbering system for each firm. The new computer database will assign numbers for all labels in a common numbering system.

III. ACTION

In the new system, labels from all firms will be numbered through a common numbering system; thus, labels will not be consecutive for an individual firm. The new label numbering system will start with Label No. 30,000 and all labels will be assigned numbers greater than 30,000, in numeric order, as they are processed. The anticipated start date for the new numbering system is December 1, 2003.

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